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WSDOT Construction Activity & Possible Delays/May 29-June 8, 2003

US 2/BNRR Bridge Deck Rehab (MP 251.61 to MP 251.87)-Essentially complete. US 2 is now fully open to traffic.

US 2/Fairchild Main Gate Turn Lane (MP 275)-Work is nearly done on this new eastbound, right-turn lane into the Fairchild AFB main gate. Some electrical and striping work may be underway. Possible lane restrictions.

NEW!! US 2/Airway Heights (MP 277-279)-On Wednesday and Thursday, June 4 & 5, between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., WSDOT maintenance crews will be painting crosswalks. The work will be underway from Craig Road to Hayford Road. Motorists should be alert for lane restrictions near intersections at times.

SR 25/Kettle Falls to Bossburg (MP 81-102)-Guardrail and other work items will be underway on this highway resurfacing and guardrail update project north of Kettle Falls in Stevens County. Motorists should expect short delays with flaggers and pilot cars directing traffic around the work.

NEW!! SR 26-Colfax/Palouse River Bridge (MP 133)-Work begins Monday, June 2 on this bridge rail replacement project. The contractor will be setting traffic barrier in the center of the bridge and installing a temporary traffic signal. Bridge traffic will be reduced to one 12 foot lane and controlled by the traffic light. Motorists should use caution and can expect short delays as oncoming traffic crosses the bridge. (Wide loads will be advised of detour routes as part of their over legal permit process.) **SPEED LIMIT ALERT: There is a reduction in the legal speed limit to 35 mph on SR 26 in the vicinity of this project.** Motorists are required to slow down in this area.

I-90/Salnavé Road Interchange to Geiger Blvd. Interchange (MP 265-275)-Work is underway with shoulder and median items on the schedule. Motorists should expect possible lane restrictions with traffic reduced to one lane in each direction and possible slower traffic in the vicinity of active work with equipment and personnel adjacent to and on the roadway. Some intermittent rock blasting work will also be underway. The next scheduled blast will be on Friday, May 30 prior to 7:00 a.m. on westbound I-90 near milepost 267. Blasting requires that I-90 be closed in both directions for up to 10 minutes.

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VERY HIGH IMPACT!! I-90 Westbound/Evergreen Interchange Vicinity (MP 291)-On Sunday, June 8, from 5:00 a.m. until possibly 3:00 p.m., WSDOT maintenance crews will be repairing an overhead sign at the Evergreen Road interchange bridge. Westbound I-90 will be reduced to one through lane. Westbound motorists should expect slow traffic, congestion, and delays. All on and off ramps will be open.

HIGH IMPACT!! US 195/Spangle to Excelsior Drive (MP 80-88)- Work is now underway on this surface rehabilitation project south of Spokane. The work is in the southbound lanes only. Pavement work is on the schedule. The southbound lanes will be reduced to one lane at various work sites where new concrete sections are being poured and curing. Motorists may experience some slow traffic near these work sites. **SPEED LIMIT ALERT:** On southbound US 195 at the railroad bridge near Spangle, traffic will be reduced to one lane with a reduction in the legal speed limit to 45 mph. (MP 82.0-81.3). Motorists are required to slow down in this area.

SR 290-Trent Avenue/Spokane River Bridge (MP 0.4-0.6)- Work continues on this bridge replacement project between downtown and Hamilton Street. Trent Ave. is closed to through traffic between Riverpoint Blvd. and Cincinnati Street. Detours are fully signed. Access to all businesses on Trent is available. This is a long-term closure.

US 395 /Colville-Hawthorne Avenue Intersection (MP 229)-Work is proceeding on West Hawthorne with curb and gutter being placed. Paving of west Hawthorne will commence starting June 4th, with some traffic restrictions possibly taking place along US395 to allow asphalt trucks to enter the job site. This is a City of Colville project with WSDOT participation. For detailed information call (509) 684-2244.

US 395/Colville (MP 230)-Contractor crews working with the City of Colville will be constructing additional an turning lane, driveway access, and lighting for the Wal-Mart near 8th Street in north Colville. Possible lane restrictions.

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